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CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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RE: Petition No. 1104

Dear Siting Council Members,

As a life-long resident of our state's largest city, I'm proud to have helped move several projects forward. Steelpointe Harbor is helping to grow jobs and tax revenue in our city. A second train station will help revitalize East Bridgeport, and an Eco-Technology Park which is creating green jobs and clean energy. The Eco-Technology Park is already home to the world's second largest fuel cell which produces virtually no air pollution and with the Green Energy Park project, we will continue creating jobs and producing clean energy on this property which is currently dirty and dormant.

The Seaside Landfill exemplifies the sins from our city's past. This energy project is an investment in Bridgeport's future. It creates green jobs, and it increases our clean energy production, in turn helping to reduce air pollution. The Green Energy Park, which is in my district consists of 9,000 solar panels and a 2.8 MW fuel cell. This project will create up to 92 jobs and is expected to earn the City of Bridgeport \$7 million over the course of its lease and once complete Green Energy Park will produce power for up to 5,000 homes with virtually air pollution free energy.

I support this project because it is in my distrct, creates jobs and produces clean energy. The Green Energy Park will help grow the City of Bridgeport's tax base.

Members of the Siting Council join me in supporting this project.

Thank You,

Best Regards,

Andres Ayala, Jr.